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Thank you. I believe there is great benefit in greater coordination and would love to discuss. Unfortunately, I will be out that week on vacation. I have copied Paula Rasmussen on this email as she is the Water Boards Assistant Executive Officer and heads the enforcement program. Knowing how difficult it is to schedule folks, unless it is easy to change, I would suggest that Paula attend for the Board. I have copied her on this message so she can inform you of her availability.

Thanks for your initiative and reaching out. We look forward to working with you.

Sam

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 16, 2014, at 1:23 PM, "LEONIDO-JOHN, STEVEN" <Leonido-John.Steven@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Sam and Mohsen – as you both know, EPA Region 9 recently organized an Enforcement Division to consolidate our enforcement activities for greater effectiveness and efficiency. We're now looking to expand our enforcement presence in Southern California. Region 9 believes the recent experiences with AllenCo and Exide demonstrated the benefits of good coordination, collaboration and communication between enforcement agencies. As EPA R9 begins increasing our enforcement presence in Southern California we wanted to assess whether it would be useful to have regular enforcement coordination meetings to discuss targeting, information sharing, technical support, or for other collaboration opportunities. To start this assessment, we'd like the opportunity to sit down with both of you, and appropriate others from your agencies, to discuss options. Based on this initial conversation, we would talk with DTSC to engage with them as well.

Are you available on Tuesday, August 12 to have a discussion about coordinating on Southern California enforcement? I suspect we'd want an hour or so, and we're looking at a time between mid-morning and mid-afternoon. We could host at the SCFO or would be happy to travel to either of your offices should that be more convenient for you. If we get a thumbs up, please let us know what time would work best for you and we'll draft an agenda and circulate that for your input prior to the meeting.

Thanks your consideration of this request.

Also – please note that my last name and email address changed recently, so if you could update your contact list I would appreciate it.

Steven

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